Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Anna Haugan Berdahl, born May 5, 1887, has dedicated her life to the nursing profession; and,

WHEREAS, Anna Haugan Berdahl represents the true soul and spirit of professional nursing; and,

WHEREAS, Her nursing career began in 1917 upon graduation from nursing school; and,

WHEREAS, From 1918-1919 she joined the Army Nurses Corps; and,

WHEREAS, From 1922-1924 she was the Superintendent of Sioux Falls Lutheran Hospital; and,

WHEREAS, From 1929-1934 she was the Superintendent of Nurses at Moe Hospital, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, In 1934 she served as President of the South Dakota State Nurses' Association; and,

WHEREAS, From 1937-1938 she served as President of the South Dakota State League of Nursing; and,

WHEREAS, From 1935-1952 she was an instructor at Sioux Valley Hospital, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, From 1939-1945 she served two consecutive terms on the South Dakota State Board of Nurse Examiners; and,

WHEREAS, From 1944-1952 she was the Educational Director of Sioux Valley Hospital School of Nursing; and,

WHEREAS, In 1959 she was selected as the American Red Cross Nurse of the Nation; and,

WHEREAS, In 1983 she was honored by the American Red Cross as one of five nurses in the United States who had contributed the most volunteer service over a period of years; and,

WHEREAS, The Sioux Valley Hospital Nurses Alumni Association and the Professional Nursing Practice Council have selected May 5, 1987, to honor Anna Haugan Berdahl on her 100th birthday; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the citizens of South Dakota to make note of the many contributions Anna Haugan Berdahl has made to the quality of health care in the state of South Dakota, and to offer a heartfelt thank you for the dedication she has given;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 5, 1987, as

ANNA HAUGAN BERDAHL DAY

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE